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New Children's Activity Book about Great Lakes Released

Brecksville, Ohio – The the National Park Service has unveiled the *Great Lakes Junior Ranger Activity Book* and badge. “This book is designed to teach children the importance of Great Lakes ecosystems and the science used to study them,” said Carmen Chapin, Great Lakes Exotic Plant Management Team Coordinator. “When we learn about the threats to the lakes, such as invasive species or mercury pollution, we also learn how to better protect these important resources.”

The National Park Service Junior Ranger motto is Explore, Learn, Protect. The activity book can be downloaded on-line at: <http://www.nps.gov/cuva/forkids/beajuniorranger.htm>. To redeem your badge, return completed activity book to Cuyahoga Valley National Park's visitor centers:

- **Boston Store Visitor Center** - 1550 Boston Mills Road, east of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264
- **Canal Visitor Center** - 7104 Canal Road, intersection of Canal and Hillside roads, Valley View 44125
- **Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center** - 2054 Bolanz Road, between Riverview and Akron Peninsula roads, Peninsula 44264

The Great Lakes Junior Ranger activity book is a part of a larger educational effort by the National Park Service and Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. There are 397 national parks, 15 are on or near the Great Lakes.

CVNP encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron, Ohio. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting. For more information visit www.nps.gov/cuva or call 330-657-2752 or 800-257-9477.

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